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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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Extension: Rule 17f-2(a)

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Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") a request for approval of extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in the Rule 17f-2(a), (17 CFR 240.17f-2(a)), under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a et seq.).

Rule 17f-2(a) (Fingerprinting Requirements for Securities Professionals) requires that securities professionals be fingerprinted. This requirement serves to identify security- risk personnel, to allow an employer to make fully informed employment decisions, and to deter possible wrongdoers from seeking employment in the securities industry. Partners, directors, officers, and employees of exchanges, brokers, dealers, transfer agents, and clearing agencies are included.

The Commission staff estimates that approximately 4,500 respondents will submit an aggregate total 300,700 new fingerprint cards each year or approximately 67 fingerprint cards per year per registrant. The staff estimates that the average number of hours necessary to complete a fingerprint card is one-half hour. Thus, the total estimated annual burden is 150,350 hours for all

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respondents (300,700 times one-half hour). The average internal labor cost of compliance per hour

is approximately \$283. Therefore, the total estimated annual internal labor cost of compliance for

all respondents is \$42,549,050 (150,350 times \$283).

This rule does not involve the collection of confidential information.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a

collection of information under the PRA unless it displays a currently valid OMB control

number.

The public may view background documentation for this information collection at the

following website: www.reginfo.gov. Comments should be directed to: (i) Desk Officer for the

Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of

Management and Budget, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC

20503, or by sending an e-mail to: Shagufta\_Ahmed@omb.eop.gov; and (ii) Pamela Dyson,

Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o Remi Pavlik-

Simon, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549, or by sending an e-mail to:

PRA Mailbox@sec.gov. Comments must be submitted to OMB within 30 days of this notice.

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